

## **Guidance for School Systems**

- The following pages include training-specific lists of BESE-approved vendors for Mentor and Content Leader training as of October 2019. Going forward, BESE will consider applications in October and April of each year and this list will be updated to reflect new approvals.
- In 2020-2021, school systems will be responsible for contacting vendors directly to arrange for training of new Mentors and Content Leaders. Contact information is provided below. Please reach out to vendors directly for more information about their training offerings and requirements.
  - Local-hosted training should be arranged directly with a vendor. Costs will vary based on the number of participants and services requested.
  - o Participants in university-based training may be required to apply for admission and pay additional university fees as part of their training costs.
- For 2020-2021, all CIR-designated schools are expected to have at least one Mentor Teacher and a Content Leader in both ELA and math. In addition, all UIR-A schools are expected to have two Intervention Content Leaders one administrator and one teacher. Finally, on September 1, 2020, policy will require teachers to have earned the ancillary Mentor Teacher certificate to host an undergraduate resident or post-baccalaureate residents. There are two exceptions to this policy:
  - The Supervisor of Student Teaching certificate will allow holders to continue hosting residents until Fall of 2023.
  - The one-year, non-renewable provisional Mentor Teacher certificate will allow holders to mentor a resident while completing all ancillary certificate requirements.
- Funds allocated for 2020-2021 may be used for training with currently approved Mentor and Content Leader as well as those vendors approved in April 2020.

For more information, please contact <a href="mailto:BelieveAndPrepare@la.gov">BelieveAndPrepare@la.gov</a>. To learn more about other vendor partnerships, visit the LDOE <a href="mailto:Vendor Catalog">Vendor Catalog</a>.



Training Name: Mentor Teacher Training

<u>Training Description</u>: This training prepares local educators to become certified Mentor Teachers who will support undergraduate residents, post-baccalaureate candidates, and developing teachers in their district. Beginning September1,2020, Mentor Teacher certification will be required to host a resident teacher.

Mentor Teacher training focuses on improving participants' knowledge of essential content, content pedagogy, and methods to support others in their development of these concepts and skills. These following skills and knowledge are at the core of Mentor Teacher training:

- Building strong relationships with their residents/teachers
- Identifying and addressing the needs of residents/teachers based on teacher preparation competencies
- Implementing regular observation and feedback cycles to deliver resources and coaching for residents/teachers
- Tracking resident/teacher progress and facilitating self-reflection and improvement

To be eligible for certification, Mentor Teachers must also pass the training-aligned Louisiana Mentor Teacher Assessment Series.

Provider	Delivery Method Updates related to COVID19	Training Offered and Cost	Contact Person
A+PEL	Online with a combination of virtual webinars, self-guided training, and record webinars.  Start Dates: available now	Offering centralized and district training  Individual: \$299 at www.LouisianaMentorTeachers.com  District: Contact vendor for more information; starting at \$12,000 for in-person training	Keith Courville (keith@apeleducators.org)
Grambling State University	Online and in-person (when possible) with self-guided online training.  Start dates: aligns to the university academic calendar	Offering centralized training <u>Individual</u> : \$1790 (6 graduate credit hours)	Cheryl Ensley (ensleyc@gram.edu)
Learning Forward	Online and in-person (when possible) with virtual training from a facilitator.  Start dates: Fall 2020	Offering centralized and district training <u>District</u> : Contact vendor for more information (costs will vary based on number of participants)	Tom Manning (tom.manning@learningforward.org)



## **Strong Start Approved Mentor and Content Leader Vendors**

Louisiana Tech University	Online with self-guided training with bi-weekly Zoom meetings for continuous support.  Start dates: information can be found at <a href="https://www.latechcrrc.org">www.latechcrrc.org</a>	Offering centralized and district training  Individual: \$800 (6 graduate credit hours) plus \$175 assessment fee	Amy Vessel (avessel@latech.edu)
McNeese State University	Online with recorded webinars.  Start dates: August 2020	Offering centralized training  Individual: \$900 (6 graduate credit hours) plus \$175 assessment fee	Angelique Ogea (aogea@mcneese.edu) or Fara Seal (fseal@mcneese.edu)
Nicholls State University	Online and in-person (when possible) Start dates: July 2020	Offering centralized training  Individual: \$375 plus \$175 assessment fee	Channing Parfait (channing.parfait@nicholls.edu)
National Institute for Excellence in Teaching (NIET)	Online and in-person (when possible) with a combination of synchronous (virtual training) and some asynchronous sessions.  Start dates: TBD	Offering centralized and district training <u>District</u> : Contact vendor for more information; training rates assessed per day, not per participant	Sheila Talamo (stalamo@niet.org)
Southeastern Louisiana University	Online and in-person (when possible) with self-guided training Start dates: TBD	Offering centralized training  Individual: \$800 (6 graduate credit hours) plus \$175 assessment fee	Ellen Ratcliff (martha.ratcliff@southeastern.edu)
Southern University	Online with virtual training from a facilitator.  Start date: Mid-Summer	Offering centralized and district training  Individual: \$1,111 plus \$175 assessment fee	Verjanis Peoples (verjanis peoples@subr.edu)
The Teaching and Learning Center (LAE)	Online with a combination of virtual webinars and self-guided training.	Offering centralized and district training <u>District</u> : \$390 plus \$175 assessment fee	Suzanne Harris (sharris@lae.org)



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	Start date: July 1.		
University of Louisiana at Lafayette	Online with a combination of virtual webinars and self-guided training.  Start date: TBD	Offering centralized and district training  Individual: \$150 plus \$175 assessment fee	Peter Sheppard (psheppard@louisiana.edu)
University of Louisiana at Monroe	Online and in-person (when possible) with virtual and self-guided trainings Start dates: July 2020	Offering centralized training <u>Individual</u> : \$400 plus \$175 assessment fee	Myra Lovett (mlovett@ulm.edu)



**Training Name:** Content Leader Training

<u>Training Description</u>: This training prepares local educators to devirtual high-quality, content-rich professional development sessions and to facilitate adult learning in their school or district.

Content Leader training provides deep knowledge of ELA or math content and content pedagogy, as well as deep analysis of a tier one curriculum. Content Leaders also develop an understanding of adult learning theory and necessary skills to facilitate high-quality learning experiences for their fellow educators. Following training, Content Leaders are also given access to 36 hours of turn-key professional development materials on which they have been trained for Delivery.

To be eligible for certification, Content Leaders must also pass the training-aligned Louisiana Content Leader Assessment Series.

Provider	Content Area	Delivery Method Updates related to COVID19	Training Offered and Cost	Contact Person
Dana Center at the University of Texas	Math	Online and in-person (when possible) with virtual training combined with self-guided activities.  Start dates: July 2020	Offering centralized and district training <u>District</u> : Contact vendor for more information (costs will vary based on number of participants and services provided)	Katey Arrington (katey.arrington@austin.utexas.edu)
Great Minds	ELA (Wit & Wisdom)	Online with a combination of virtual webinars, self-guided training, and record webinars.  Start dates: July 2020	Offering centralized training <u>District</u> : Contact vendor for more information (costs will vary based on number of participants and services provided)	Cari Killian (Cari.Killian@greatminds.org)
Louisiana Tech University	Math and ELA (Guidebooks 2.0)	Online with self-guided training with bi-weekly Zoom meetings for continuous support.  Start dates: information can be found at www.latechcrrc.org	Offering centralized and district training  Individual: \$800 (6 graduate credit hours) plus \$175 assessment fee	Amy Vessel (avessel@latech.edu)



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SchoolKit	ELA (Guidebooks 2.0)	Online and in-person (when possible) with virtual training.  Start dates: July 2020	Offering centralized and district training <u>District</u> : Contact vendor for more information (costs will vary based on number of participants and services provided)	Ethan Mitnick (ethan@schoolkitgroup.com)
Teaching Lab	ELA (Guidebooks 2.0)	Online and in-person (when possible) with virtual training from a facilitator.  Start dates: determined by district need	Offering centralized and district training <u>District</u> : Contact vendor for more information (costs will vary based on number of participants and services provided)	Rene Arnold (rene.arnold@teachinglab.org)





**Training Name: Intervention Content Leader Training** 

<u>Training Description</u>: This training prepares to support the implementation of Tier 1 curricula by providing content- and curriculum-specific training to fellow teachers in their school and district.

Intervention Content Leader training prepares teachers to effectively support all students during core instruction and intervention time using a high-quality curriculum. Further, the training prepares school leaders to support their teachers and to ensure that all teachers are using effective intervention strategies

To be eligible for certification, Intervention Content Leaders must also pass the training-aligned Louisiana Content Leader Assessment Series.

Provider	Delivery Method Updated related to COVID19	Training Offered and Cost	Contact Person
SchoolKit	Online and in-person (when possible) with virtual training.	<u>District</u> : Contact vendor for more information (costs will vary based on number of participants and services provided)	Ethan Mitnick ( <u>ethan@schoolkitgroup.com</u> ) or LDOE Office of Workforce Talent ( <u>louisianateacherleaders@la.gov</u> )
	Start dates: July 2020		